

**DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

A period of not more than fifteen minutes shall be allowed at each ordinary meeting of the Council for the hearing of deputations from members of the public. Each deputation may be heard for a maximum of five minutes following which one Member of the Council, nominated by the Mayor, may speak in response. It shall then be moved by the Mayor and voted on without discussion that the deputation be thanked for attending and its subject matter noted.

Notification of one Deputation has been received. The spokesperson is entitled to speak for 5 minutes.

**(a) Deputation concerning road safety in Carlyle Street**

**Mr Gerry Kassab** (Spokesperson)

"I believe the local authority has a "duty of care" to successfully manage traffic flows and to minimise the adverse impact of traffic into residential areas i.e. keeping traffic moving along the main arterial roads within the city – in our case Elm Grove and Queens Park Road.

The local authority must have undertaken a risk assessment and monitored traffic volumes and concluded that Carlyle Street needed to be a 20mph and a one-way street with speed bumps.

My assertion is whilst these measures were appropriate at the time; they are now ineffective in dealing with the increase in traffic speeds, volumes and types of vans/trucks and lorries.

Also, the elapse time of disturbance is much longer – we are not only dealing with traffic disturbances during the peak rush hour periods but this can extend throughout the night and into the early hours.

The level of minor damage caused to our parked cars – wing mirrors being hit and minor scrapes, which normally go unreported to the police, is forcing more residents to park their cars onto the pavements, not only obstructing our pavements but inadvertently making it easier for cars to speed up the street.

All of the above are significantly adversely impacting on residents of Carlyle Street quality of life."

**Councillor G Theobald, Cabinet Member for Environment, will respond.**

